

Schedule For Future Animal Care Workshops

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, Office of the State Veterinarian will be hosting a series of public workshops regarding proposed animal care standards. The workshops will be divided into five separate animal categories.

All interested persons are invited to attend by telephone at 1-800-315-6338 (use pass code 8213 when prompted) or in person at the State Environmental Health Laboratory at 5251 Dr. MLK, Jr. Ave, Anchorage, AK, 99507. All meetings will be from 3:30 to 5:00 PM. If you are unable to attend meetings, feel free to submit your comments to us in writing via mail or email.

The workshop schedule is as follows:

- Avian Species (includes poultry): Nov 29, 2011
- Captive/Exotic (reindeer, elk, musk ox, zoo/exhibition animals, llamas): Dec 1, 2011
- Domestic pets (working/sled dogs, performance animals, mice, pocket pets): Dec 5, 2011
- Horses: Dec 8, 2011
- General Livestock (bovine, swine, sheep, goats): Dec 12, 2011
- Domestic pets (working/sled dogs, performance animals, mice, pocket pets): Jan 5, 2011

A working draft of the proposed animal care standards and minutes from the first organizational meeting are available at: <http://dec.alaska.gov/eh/vet/index.htm>. Follow the "Animal Care Standards Workshops" link under "Animal Health". An agenda will be published on the website approximately two weeks in advance of each meeting.

This proposed regulation is part of a comprehensive revision of the state animal health regulations. A formal public comment period will be held for the entire regulation package later in 2012. If you have questions regarding these workshops, please contact:

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